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I am writing this email to voice my opinion on the Proposed Final Judgement(PFJ) for the Microsoft anti-trust lawsuit. What I found after pondering if the PFJ was truly in the public interest was that there still exist many loop holes that could lead to the same problems we are currently seeing, Although I feel there are many others one area of real concern are some of the definitions put forth, as an example consider the current definition of "Windows Operating System Product". This current definition seems to exclude both Windows XP tablet edition and Windows CE, both of which can run many of the current Win32 APIs without any changes.

My second concern is in the area of application barrier to entry, I don't feel that there has been any effort to allow for non-Microsoft operating systems to implement APIs needed to run application programs written for Windows.

By not allowing this, it would appear Microsoft would continue to be able to exclude other Operating Systems from running their application software. By continuing to not provide a way in which Microsoft applications can be run on non-Windows Operating systems, there will continue to be the same level of control on desktop environments that we currently experience.

I would like to thank you for listening to my concerns, And I sincerely hope a reasonable solution is met.

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